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in re the application of:

KUROIWA et al.

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Application Number: 09/540,878

Examiner: Michael J. Molinari

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For: CELL SEARCH METHOD, COMMUNICATION SYNCHRONIZATION APPARATUS, PORTABLE TERMINAL APPARATUS, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2003, the Applicants hereby elect to have further prosecution in this application be directed at this time to Group I, as recited in claims 2-8, 10-19, 21, 22, 24-27, 29, 31-40, 43, 44, 47, 48 and 53-64, drawn to method and apparatus for performing cell searching, classified in class 370, subclass 342 without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications.

Consequently, early examination and favorable action on claims 2-8, 10-19, 21, 22, 24-27, 29, 31-40, 43, 44, 47, 48 and 53-64, are respectfully requested.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket number 108390-00002.

Respectfully submitted,
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